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One Great Hour . . . And More

The One Great Hour of Sharing—Share Our Substance appeal of the United Church of Christ, recommended for March 21st this year, is your chance to participate directly in overseas emergency aid and development.

OGHS-SOS offerings have been around for some time. The One Great Hour of Sharing began an annual offering for Church World Service needs following World War II. In 1947 the first simultaneous One Great Hour of Sharing broadcast reached

Atlanta "Sleeps-In"

Mrs. Ethel Mae Matthews, President of the Atlanta, Ga., Welfare Rights Organization, led a group of protesters into the Model Cities headquarters in Atlanta recently to demonstrate against officials' "fat paychecks and plush chairs" in the handsome buildings sitting in the middle of the ghetto.

The protesters carried hot soup, coffee, sandwiches, blankets, clothes and a television set, and announced that they planned to stay right where they were until the Model Cities Director and other officials showed up to talk with them in person.

The twenty-six-hour "sleep-in" ended when Atlanta Mayor Sam Massell signed a pledge to break red tape and to open the 108 "temporary" mobile home residences immediately and to construct some 500 permanent homes within a year for

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COCU ANNUAL MEETING SLATED

PRINCETON, N. J.—For the first time since the Consultation on Church Union began its annual meetings in 1962 aimed at uniting American church bodies, COCU will hold its plenary in the fall instead of spring.

The 10 delegates from each of the nine communions, plus a host of observers and consultants, will meet this year at the Denver (Colo.) Hilton Hotel, September 26-30.

Dr. Paul A. Crow Jr., general secretary of the consultation, said the September plenary will be primarily for listening, to insure that individual and group responses find their way into the total process of creating a uniting church.

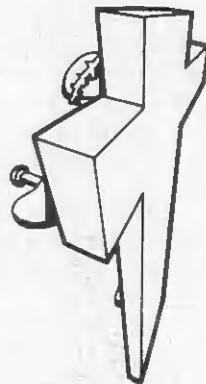
"The Plan of Union is now in the hands of the grass roots for their study, reflection, and suggestions toward revision," said Dr. Crow. "The participation of people in the local pulpits and pews in the development of the plan at this stage is vital. We want them to have every moment possible to study and respond.

"So this plenary will be a listening experience as we attempt to reaffirm the need for a reconciled church in the midst of the changing situation in this country. I believe the Denver plenary will bring maturity to the COCU process, and will give evidence of the new sense of community we have," Dr. Crow concluded.

church members across the country explaining what was being done in programs of relief, rehabilitation and inter-church aid.

The SOS appeal also has a noble history. Initiated as the Share Our Surplus program in 1954 to provide American surplus food to the world's hungry, undernourished and disaster-stricken, the program paid for distribution, administration and transportation of government-supplied goods. In 1963 the name was changed to: Share Our Substance. Today, the OGHS-SOS appeal is timed—in the midst of Lent—to allow an entire season of self-sacrifice for the sake of others. Won't you plan to give generously through your congregation's OGHS-SOS Lenten appeal this year?

THE CALL OF THE HOUR



The call of the hour is not for lower but for higher standards of Christianity . . .

Lowering the standard spells defeat.

The bill of exaction cannot be satisfied by writing in fifty or eighty where the requirement calls for one hundred.

This old world can never be evangelized by Christians who compromise.

The cross of Christ was not entwined with flowers. Those who carry that cross will feel its sharp angles and corners. Hooks baited with a soft gospel adapted to the natural senses and tastes will never catch that type of souls of which martyrs are made. Christ is not offering pillows of ease but calling for pillars of power . . .

To you, O Christian, Christ is throwing this challenge for a great Christian crusade for plainer living, higher thinking, and sacrificial service.

To you, O Christian, Your Church looks for that day when you shall place the su-

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Crossville Church Burns

The Congregational Church, in Crossville, Tennessee, burned on Jan. 31, 1971. The pastor, Rev. W. R. Winterbottom, reported the church to be a total loss. He has no idea, at the moment, as to the amount of insurance that the church will be able to get from this loss. There is a \$24,000 debt on the building as it did stand, and this loan was from a local bank. We will get more details later, for the next issue of the Southeast News.



... a column of reminders to help you with your planning.

MARCH 12, 13 and 14 — SEC YOUTH ANNUAL MEETING, Camp Sumatanga.

MARCH 21 — "ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING."

MARCH 26, 27 — EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, SEC BOARD OF DIRECTORS, Atlanta.

APRIL 3 — SOUTH ALABAMA - NORTHWEST FLORIDA ASSOC. REPRESENTATIVES, First Church, Andalusia, Ala.

APRIL 4 — PALM SUNDAY.

APRIL 11 — EASTER DAY.

APRIL 25 — NATIONAL CHRISTIAN COLLEGE DAY. ALSO CONSULTATION ON CHURCH UNION DAY.

MAY 10, 11, and 12 — SEC MINISTERS' CONVOCATION, Callaway Gardens.

JUNE 12, 13 — ANNUAL MEETING OF THE SOUTHEAST CONFERENCE, Nashville, Tenn.

JUNE 20 - 25 — LEADERSHIP SCHOOL OF THE MID-SOUTH, Maryville, Tenn.

JUNE 25 - 29 — EIGHTH GENERAL SYNOD, U.C.C., GRAND RAPIDS, Mich.

JULY 25 - 31 — BI-SYNOD LEADERSHIP SCHOOL, Keysville, Ga.

'Local Church In God's Plan' To Be Explored

When the churches of South Alabama-Northwest Florida met in the Churchmanship Institute on February 21, they set another meeting for April 3, beginning at 10 A. M. and concluding in the late afternoon.

Each pastor and at least three lay delegates (more if possible) are to gather at First Church, Andalusia to begin a serious study of "The Local Church in God's Plan" under the leadership of J. K. Murphy and Warren Blankenhorn. The emphasis, based on a denominational study of a few years ago, has been developed and used at Oak Grove Church, Pine Mountain, Ga., where Murphy is a member and Blankenhorn is pastor.

Conference staff will be assisting in the study. Together, the churches of the Association hope to develop a program to strengthen each church.



FACING CAMERA, left to right: Karlton C. Johnson, John T. Enwright, George Washington, Guy C. Colbert, John R. Roemer.

BACK TO CAMERA, left to right: Allen B. Hollis Jr., Donald Orander, Mrs. Arnold Slater.

SEC Board Of Directors Meets

Wednesday, February 17, 1971, found the Board of Directors of the Southeast Conference meeting at First Congregational Church, Atlanta, Georgia. W. R. Green Jr., moderator, presided, and Mrs. W. Walter Hall, vice-moderator, served as secretary pro-tem. National staff members present included: Serge Hummon of the Division of Church Extension, Mrs. F. C. Lester of the Council for Lay Life and Work, Karlton C. Johnson of the Stewardship Council, and Miss Hedwig Schaeffer, retired missionary to India.

The 1971 Budget as presented by the Finance Committee was adopted and will be printed in a later issue of the *Southeast News*.

A major part of the meeting was devoted to the recommendations of the Plan-

ning Committee. The Executive Committee was asked to work out details for telescoping the present eight Commissions of the Conference into three, namely: Christian Education, Church and Ministry, and Outreach. This matter will be presented to the Annual Meeting for vote.

The Commission on Church Extension was given the responsibility of drawing together long or short-term task groups on metropolitan strategy and development of town and country ministries. In the general context of metropolitan strategy, the goal of five new churches by 1975 was set. The Division of Church Extension of the Board for Homeland Ministries and others will be asked to help in this gigantic task.

Regarding a priority of developing Negro Ministries, Homer C. McEwen, John T. Enwright, and Andrew Cooper were asked to call together black leadership within the Conference to see what is currently being done, what new kinds of churches or projects might be started, and what resources are available.

The Board of Directors voted their thanks to Serge Hummon for his leadership and expressed their desire that he continue his leadership among us. The Directors also expressed gratitude to the Board of Homeland Ministries for their continued support during these difficult days.

—from the Connecticut Conference *Missioner*.



GOD'S CALL . . . OUR RESPONSE

. . . an introduction to Laity Resources for 1971.

Throughout our history as people of Biblical faith we confront the recurring call of God to faithfulness. Jesus Christ is Emmanuel, God-with-us, God calling us to faithfulness: LOVE OF GOD AND NEIGHBOR. The church's challenge is to assist faithful and effective practice. The 1971 *Laity Resources* have been prepared to assist you in meeting this challenge.

Laity Resources 1971 continue as a three-packets-a-year publication service produced by a committee of members of the U.C.C. Council for Lay Life and Work.

The first packet (February) contains a "Strategy Developer," showing how we determine our needs, set our objectives, estimate our resources, consider alternate strategies, determine our course of action and act, all the while evaluating through each step. Using these same techniques, the "Strategy Developer" can aid congregations in developing effective strategies for corporate worship, serving community needs, ministering to families, and lay ministry.

The second packet (April) offers the worship and program booklet with this year's title "DO—ACCORDING TO YOUR FAITH," edited by Mrs. L. N. Wilson, a homemaker and former school teacher. Also in this packet are: Bible studies; materials for Laity Sunday, October 10; and additional services of celebration/worship, contemporary in style, emphasizing increased participation by laity. Featured also are special materials prepared to enable persons to grow in their faith commitment.

The third packet (September) will contain supplementary materials.

Regrettably, the cost is increased to \$5.00, because the denomination's budget no

United Church Herald Undergoes Changes

Editor J. Martin Bailey sent a recent communication to all Conferences, alerting them to some changes in the United Church *Herald*, effective January 1971. These modifications are in response to an 18-month study involving lay and professional leaders in congregations, conferences and instrumentalities as well as members of the Executive Council.

Quoting from Mr. Bailey: "Three specific foci will give a somewhat different 'feel' to the whole journal:

"1. We will make a self-conscious effort to affirm the local church in a spirit of hope and anticipation. Many readers have assumed—incorrectly we believe—that our staff and many of our writers were intent on 'knocking the local church.' We are renaming our monthly close-ups of congregations 'Accent: Local Church'; and we will make every effort to report national projects in terms of effective local programs.

"2. We will give increased attention to the biblical and theological basis of the church's concern for the community as well as for the individual. Prof. Walter Brueggemann of Eden Seminary will be the author of a popularly written series 'God's word in our world.'

"3. A new feature, 'Leaders' Digest,' will provide practical suggestions for church activities normally in terms of creative efforts being made by a local church which could serve as 'transportable models' for others."

Mr. Bailey continues, "You will recognize that item three represents the most significant departure from our present style—and will understand how carefully we will have to walk this tightrope. We neither presume to become an 'ecclesiastical Popular Mechanics' nor to set ourselves up as experts in such fields as Christian education or Lay Life and Work. We are conscious, however, of an almost universal request from local church leaders for concrete suggestions.

"I will appreciate your suggestions and your constructive criticism as we together seek to provide the United Church with a journal which is provocative because it is helpful to individuals and congregations."

longer can provide sizeable subsidies and because of increased costs of production.

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new MEDIA MEDIA news

QUAKE! is a 59-frame sound filmstrip produced by Church World Service, "giving a glimpse of the Peru earthquake disaster and the response of the churches.

Against the picturesque, snowy backdrop of Huascarán mountain the devastation of several Peruvian cities stands out in bold relief: Huancayo, buried along with 18,000 people; Hauraz, twelve miles below Huancayo, where 15,000 people were killed instantly by the falling debris from their homes; Casma city where 800 people died and not a single building was left. And in Chimbote, the second largest city in Peru, 85% of all the buildings were destroyed.

The story is also one of the churches and other agencies attempting to meet emergency relief needs, as well as the longer-range problems of rebuilding and rehabilitating.

QUAKE!, with plastic record and script, is available for return postage from the Southeast Conference.

THE GOOD SAMARITAN

A six-year-old Good Samaritan, taking part in a dramatization of the Bible story in Beaurepaire (Canada) United Church's Sunday school, felt in his pockets for a coin (which was supposed to be there) for the boy playing the needy traveler but found his pocket empty.

"I'll tell you what," the quick, up-to-date youngster said. "I'll give you the telephone number of the finance company."

(*United Church Herald*, Jan. 1971)

New Enlistment Resource Available

One, two, three, four, five—count them: five phases of a successful Christian Enlistment program in your local church are outlined in a new packet published by the Stewardship Council. Each of the five file folders is chock-full of helpful information to help you tailor-make your Christian Enlistment, from directing the enlistment to securing the commitments. Even working papers are included.

One copy will be furnished free to congregations requesting it, and additional copies are available at \$2.00 each. Order from The Stewardship Council, 1505 Race St., Philadelphia, Pa. 19102. The packet, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 Christian Enlistment Packet is available on request only.



Boy Scout Award Presented At Cullman

The God and Country Boy Scout Award was presented to David Chamblee at St. John's United Church, Cullman, Ala., recently by his Scoutmaster, Mr. Charles Wilhite.

David worked for one year with his pastor, Rev. George A. Fidler, to qualify. David is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Coven Chamblee of Cullman. He is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Schwaiger also of Cullman, and of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Chamblee of Albertville.

This is the first God and Country Award that Mr. Wilhite has given in his 14 years as Scoutmaster and, so far as is known, it is the first such award in Cullman County. David belongs to Troop 227, sponsored by Mt. Zion Methodist Church, Vinemont, Alabama, where he hopes to complete work on his Eagle this summer.

Langdale Announces Building Plans

In the February issue of *The Lamplighter*, Pastor Allen B. Hollis Jr., reveals the plans of the Langdale congregation for the annex to their present building. To be attached to the rear of the existing structure like a "T", the annex will include kitchen, storage room, fellowship hall, and two classrooms. This addition, which will be completely air conditioned, will also make possible some remodeling of the older building so that it will be more usable.

Pastor Hollis is encouraged that interest rates are now lower, and that the cost of less than \$40,000 is well within Langdale's budget. "Every economic indicator shows that we can afford what we need without strain to our present programs. Every spiritual indicator shows that we cannot afford to fail in this program of expansion to which the Lord is leading."

Let's Get Together, Visit!

Church of the Savior, Knoxville, Tenn., recognizes the importance of visiting. In their Lenten Newsletter, Pastor Donald P. Flick writes: . . . a number of new families . . . have expressed interest in our congregation, and it is important that we visit with them . . . We would also like to have lay couples visit with members of the congregation who find it difficult to attend services of worship on a regular basis. We have designated two Sunday afternoons for making friendly visits from 2:30-4:30: March 7 and March 21.

"Those persons . . . who are willing to make such visits are asked to meet at the church-house either or both of the two Sunday afternoons. We will spend the first part of the period in training and prayer. If you have names of persons to be visited, please pass them along to the pastor.

. . . Pastor and Mrs. Flick also plan

Brookmeade Plays Sociological Games

Pastor and Mrs. Don Orander invited members of Brookmeade Church, Nashville, to the parsonage recently to play three sociological games. These games out of several suggested in the magazine *Psychology Today*, included: "The Cities Game," "Body Talk," and "Blacks and Whites."

In the January 1971 issue of the *Brookmeade Newsletter*, Pastor Orander describes the games: "The Cities Game" is a game of negotiating and bargaining, the object being to acquire as much money power as possible. This is done by collecting "rewards" from the Games Treasury, or by negotiating under-the-table payments from other players. The winner is the player (or group of players) with the most money at the end of the game.

"Blacks and Whites" was designed for educational use to give middle-class whites a taste of the helplessness that comes from living against implacable odds. When the game was first developed, persons who chose to be black could not win or seriously affect the course of the competitive thing going on between white players. But black and white students rewrote the rules of play, so that black people, though still victims of discrimination, became the agents of change in a game that came to emphasize the absurdities of living in different worlds while playing on the same board. What happens is that each person, rejoicing in his unique personhood, joins with other players in a community spoof of the artificialities of a racist tradition.

"Body Talk" is designed to help persons become consciously aware of his body's non-verbal statements. Psychologist Albert Mehrabian finds that only 7% of the message's effect is carried by words, while 93% of the total impact reaches the "listener" through nonverbal means: facial expression, vocal intonation. A brochure describing "Body Talk" concludes, "If you have fun with (Body Talk), happily leaving yourself open to feel the emotions of others, you may be surprised at how much people say by posture, gesture, the flicker of an eyelash and a touch on the shoulder."

to visit as many of the member families as possible during the Lenten season.

New Pastors In SEC Churches

REV. HENRY W. TUTTLE, formerly of Plymouth Church, Miami, Florida, moved to Huntsville, Alabama, during the week of February 22, and began his ministry with the February 28 service of worship. In early January, Rev. Mr. Tuttle visited the Huntsville church to assist in the formulation of a new ministry there. The Huntsville Church recently bought a new parsonage, and looks forward to the ministry of the "Hank" Tuttles.

REV. RAY SMITH, student at Baptist Bible Institute of Graceville, Fla., serves as student supply pastor at Blackwood Community Church, Headland, Ala. He, his wife, and their young son come each Sunday for Sunday church school and the morning worship service. In the afternoon they visit in the homes; in the evening they work with the young people and conduct Bible study.

At Antioch Church, Andalusia, Ala., REV. R. A. DAVIS, a Baptist minister, is serving as supply pastor. Although he is not living in the Antioch community, Mr. Davis is able to spend some time there, using the beautiful parsonage several nights a week while he and his family minister in the area.

Licensed last October by the South Alabama - Northwest Florida Association, REV. B. L. BUTLER is ministering as supply pastor at First Church, Andalusia. Presently he is doing a great deal of visiting in homes and hospitals, is conducting the services of the church, and is driving 130 miles a day to and from his daily work.

MR. NATHANIEL CARTER, senior at Interdenominational Theological Center, Atlanta, Georgia, began his ministry at First Church, Macon, Ga., on Sunday, February 21, with about 50 present. Mr. Carter is to conduct services of worship on the first and third Sundays, visit at other times in the community, and especially develop a program that reaches into the housing development near the church. Although the church has a very small membership, the people are anxious to develop a community-wide program. Mr. Carter has provided some material for a radio program in Macon, and is to provide leadership in meeting needs of the area.

Rev. Joseph E. Boone, pastor of Rush Memorial Church, Atlanta, has an as-



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Overseas Personnel Needed

Both a medical director and a physical therapist are needed at hospitals in South Vietnam which are related to Vietnam Christian Service. The medical director will assume responsibility for the medical work of the Nha Trang Christian Hospital. The therapist will be on the staff of the Christian Hospital in Da Nang.

Qualified and interested persons who wish to explore these openings should contact the Overseas Personnel Recruitment Office, Room 432, Dept. D, Riverside Drive, New York, N. Y. 10027.

sistant in the person of MR. GEORGE HAWKINS. Having worked as manager of various departments in grocery stores, he is now manager of a small store across the street from Rush Church. This store was established to provide groceries for students in the nearby colleges and also for the many retired people living nearby who have difficulty shopping elsewhere. Mr. Hawkins also assists in the services of Rush Church. He plans to continue his education in one of the Atlanta colleges and then enter seminary.

MR. DON WHITEHEAD, a member of Todd Church, Shawmut, Alabama, desires to enter the ministry. He has been preaching at various churches in East Alabama Association when called upon. His pastor, Rev. Bill Hodnett, speaks very highly of this young man's ability.

Kitchen Cabinet With A Difference

At Orchard Hill UCC, Chillicothe, Ohio, the minister announced: "At the Narthex door is the sheet for you to sign up for the meeting of the Kitchen Cabinet today."

The pastor explains that both he and his deacons want feedback both on the total service and on the sermon. The Kitchen Cabinet gives them such response.

Three adults and three young people go to the kitchen after the service, have something to drink and eat, and discuss frankly what comes to mind about the service — its order and the sermon — its delivery and content. A tape recorder takes it down and on Monday morning the pastor listens to it. When the deacons meet, they too listen to this tape. Several suggestions have already been adopted.

The Kitchen Cabinet discussions have a maximum time of 45 minutes. Occasionally, however, they do run overtime. Since the pastor-preacher is not present, the comment tends to be open, frank, and uninhibited.

The pastor of the church appreciates this Kitchen Cabinet response. He wants to hear both from the youth and the adults, feeling that such dialogue is helpful in closing the so-called generation gap. It is also another means of keeping the worship service and sermon "in tune" with the concerns and aspirations of the congregation, whose most significant witness is not in the gathered congregation but in the scattered congregation out in the world.

—from Clergy Journal, Nov. 1970

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Miss Hedwig Schaeffer Speaks In SEC Churches

Miss Hedwig Schaeffer, missionary for many years in India, was a recent speaker in several churches of the Southeast Conference.

Arriving in Atlanta the day prior to the Board of Directors' meeting, Miss Schaeffer had an opportunity to "sight-see" in the Dogwood City, visit with some retired missionary friends there, and participate in the board meeting.

Later she rode to Lanett, Alabama, to begin a round of speaking engagements in several churches of East Alabama Association. Later she spoke also in Garden City, Mountain Grove, and St. John's, Cullman.

Several congregations in Tennessee also had an opportunity to hear her message: Pilgrim, Chattanooga; Belvidere; and First and Brookmeade Churches in Nashville.

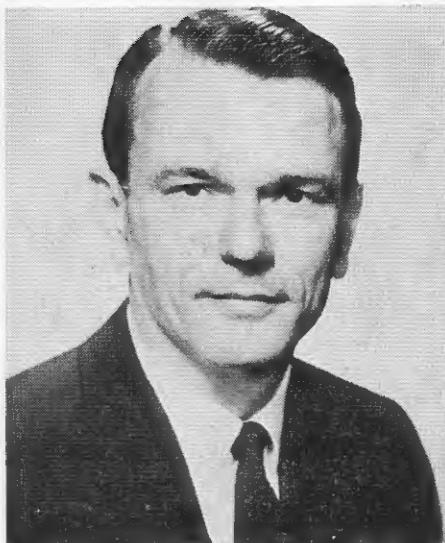
We are grateful to Miss Schaeffer for giving so much of herself both to the Christian witness in India and for continuing to spread God's Word in our churches.

Talladega College Dedicates Housing Project

Recently, on the 103rd anniversary of its founding, Talladega College, Talladega, Alabama, dedicated a 40-unit, low-income housing project to the Talladega community. The college choir led a procession to the 10-acre housing site about one mile from the campus.

The gift of college land was made by the Board of Trustees. The Rev. Herbert Gessert, director of planning, helped secure a government loan which made it possible for the college to become a non-profit sponsoring agent. (The Rev. Mr. Gessert also serves as pastor of King's Chapel, Alpine, Ala.) Presentation of the future new community was made by Attorney Arthur D. Shores, Birmingham, chairman of the college Board of Trustees.

When asked about the project, President Herman H. Long said, "These apartments provide the largest number of new housing units ever made available to the low-income segment of the community. They will serve as a model for good neighborhood living as we look toward the growth of Talladega."



UCBWM Installs David M. Stowe

In a setting of colorful pageantry, the United Church Board of World Ministries installed the Rev. David M. Stowe as executive vice-president. The Rev. Mr. Stowe succeeds the Rev. Alford Carleton, who retired after 16 years' service to the board. Installation ceremonies opened the annual meeting in Seattle of the 225-member mission board which brings together clergy, laymen and women from all parts of the United States, as well as missionaries from overseas.

Racial justice is a "planetary priority" for the overseas missions of Christian churches, said Mr. Stowe in his inaugural address. Sheer survival is the challenge facing Christian missions in the officially and arrogantly racist societies of South Africa and Rhodesia, and in Angola where the issue is more disguised, he declared. "This board," Mr. Stowe pledged, "will fight racism with every weapon it can lay its hands on."

The new executive, who is former head of the division of overseas ministries of the National Council of Churches and one-time missionary in China, also proposes to recruit more black and brown people as directors of the Board and for its U. S. based staff and mission overseas.

Thrusting aside historical methods of conducting missionary work, the Rev. Mr. Stowe said, "We live in a radically new world where change accelerates year by year . . . Everything that isn't nailed down is coming loose, and many of the nails are pulling

Scholarships Available

Yankton College, a UCC related co-educational school in Yankton, South Dakota, is offering two scholarships to young people from each United Church conference. These scholarships will be awarded to entering freshmen. The new president of Yankton is Dr. Fred S. Honkala, formerly dean of the graduate school at the University of Montana and for the past two years director of the Advanced Science Education program of the National Science Foundation in Washington, D. C.

For information on the scholarships write: Director of Admissions, Yankton College, Yankton, S. D. 57078.

'What Does A Pastor Do?'

"The pastor teaches, though he must solicit his own classes. He heals, though without pills or knife. He is sometimes a lawyer, often a social worker, something of an editor, a bit of a philosopher and entertainer, a salesman, a decorative piece for public functions, and he is supposed to be a scholar. He visits the sick, marries people, buries the dead, labors to console those who sorrow and to admonish those who sin, and tries to stay sweet when chided for not doing his duty. He plums programs, appoints committees when he can get them; spends considerable time in keeping people out of each other's hair; between times he prepares a sermon and preaches it on Sunday to those who don't happen to have any other engagement. Then on Monday, he smiles when some jovial chap roars — what a job — one day a week!"

—Anonymous

loose. Anything that has worked well for a long time, like this historic board, is suspected of being a dinosaur's adaptation to a world that is gone."

In emphasizing the global strategy of the board, he declared that "America desperately needs mission from men of insight and good will in other cultures and countries and even other faiths. Missionaries from abroad to the United States will help us to see ourselves more clearly. Part of the mandate of this board is to foster that mission to America."

The new executive pledged that the UCBWM will work for world peace and will conduct a vigorous program to help wipe out world-wide poverty and to promote environmental health.

SEC Churches 1970 Contributions To OCWM

ALABAMA

	Basic	Other	Columbus, United	176	0
Alexander City, Hunt	0	0	Demorest, Fed.	400	0
Alpine, King's Chapel	100	0	Jonesboro, Bonanza	1,132	45
Andalusia, Antioch	25	0	LaGrange, Hillside	300	
Andalusia, First	235	129	LaGrange, United	1,100	102
Athens, Trinity	0	0	Macon, First	0	0
Birmingham, First	0	0	McIntosh, Midway	390	0
Birmingham, Pilgrim	3,147	25	Pine Mt., Oak Grove	550	180
Brantley, Ind. Crk.	0	0	Richland, First	130	25
Brantley, Liberty	0	0	Savannah, First	700	0
Caddo, First	100	0	Thomasville, Bethany	131	0
Clio, New Hope	305	0	West Pt., Bethel	0	0
Cullman, St. John's	2,000	33	Woodbury, Jones Chap.	0	0
Dadeville, Elder	400	24			
E. Tallassee	765	136			
Garden City	325	10			
Hackleburg, Fairview	0	0	KENTUCKY		
Hanceville, Mt. Grove	0	0	Evarts, First	307	64
Huntsville, United	600	165	Stearns, Com.	0	0
LaFayette, Pl. Grove	300	42			
Lanett	4,400	150			
Langdale	2,919	210	MISSISSIPPI		
Marion, First	50	0	Tougaloo, Union	175	25
Mid. City, Chr. Hill	0	0			
Montgomery, First	150	0			
Montgomery, United	0	0	SOUTH CAROLINA	Basic	Other
Phenix City, First	400	41	Charleston, Circular	325	152
Phenix City, R. Woods	100	0	Charleston, Plymouth	578	0
Roanoke, Antioch	300	0			
Roanoke, Bethany	100	0			
Roanoke, First	350	132			
Roanoke, For. Home	50	0			
Roanoke, Lowell	542	0	TENNESSEE		
Roanoke, New Hope	300	39	Belvidere, UCC	2,633	393
Roanoke, Rock Stand	130	0	Chattanooga, First	306	26
Selma, First	30	0	Chattanooga, Pilgrim	6,500	702
Shawmut, Todd	520	118	Crossville, First	1,060	226
Steele, Mt. Lebanon	0	0	Daisy, First	300	0
Talladega, First	100	0	Deer Lodge	315	24
Wadley, Christian	370	100	Glenmary, CC	112	19
			Knoxville, Church		
			of Savior	1,200	501
			Nashville, Brookmeade	500	316
			Nashville, First E & R	3,450	411
			Nashville, Fisk Union	0	0
			Nashville, Howard	100	0
			Pleasant Hill, Comm.	1,081	600
			Robbins, Barton Chap.	157	8
			Sweetwater, 1st UCC	168	0

FLORIDA

Baker, Good Hope	0	0	ALABAMA—Schedule I		
Bonifay, New Effort	0	0	Alexander City, Antioch	0	0
			Arley, Robertson's Chap.	22	0
			Five Points, State Line	200	0
			Haleyville, Union Grove	150	0
			Headland, Blackwood	400	70
			Houston, Liberty Hill	10	0
			Lanett, Huguley	0	0
			Lineville, New Harmony	65	0

GEORGIA

Ambrose, Christian	30	0	ALABAMA—Schedule I		
Atlanta, Carr. Hghts.	0	0	Alexander City, Antioch	0	0
Atlanta, Center	0	0	Arley, Robertson's Chap.	22	0
Atlanta, Central	6,525	766	Five Points, State Line	200	0
Atlanta, First	5,765	0	Haleyville, Union Grove	150	0
Atlanta, Rush	75	0	Headland, Blackwood	400	70
Barnesville, Fredonia	325	66	Houston, Liberty Hill	10	0
Beachton, Evergreen	141	0	Lanett, Huguley	0	0
Braselton, Macedonia	240	0	Lineville, New Harmony	65	0
Columbus, First	707	15			

Moulton, Jones Chapel	0	0
Pisgah	100	0
Town Creek, Old		
Liberty	100	0
Wadley, Corinth	250	10
Wedowee, Caver's Gr.	0	0
Wetumpka, Balm of Gil.	0	0

GEORGIA

Bowman, Liberty	37	0
Doerun, Poplar Arbor	0	0
Enigma, Christian	0	0
Richland, Prov. Chap.	0	0
Tifton, Vanceville	0	0

ALABAMA—Schedule II

Ashland, Bethel	0	0
Birmingham, St. John's	0	0
Eclectic, Watson's Ch.	0	0
Mt. Creek, Union	0	0
Roanoke, Mt. Zion	0	0
Roanoke, Rock Spring	0	0
Seman, Comm.	0	0
Tallassee, Mt. Olive	125	10
Wadley, Beulah	0	0
Wedowee, Noon Day	100	0

FLORIDA

Baker, Pyron's Chap.	0	0
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GEORGIA

Baxley, Friendship	0	0
Bristol, Antioch	0	0
Buford, Duncan's Creek	75	0
Crest, Hebron	0	0
Doerun, New Light	0	0
Douglas, First	0	0
Gaillard, Pleasant Hill	0	0
Hampton, County Line	0	0
Meansville, First CC	0	0
Pearson, Union Hill	0	0
Waycross, Wms. Chapel	0	0

THE CALL OF THE HOUR

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premacy of human values above all other values of life and make Christ the dominating motive although that may involve you in social ostracism, financial hardship, personal sacrifice, and suffering.

"If any man would come after me let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me."

(adapted from John Bunyan Smith)

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THE COLD, HARD FACTS

If you were an Indian:

—Your life span would be 42 to 44 years, 21 years shorter than that of your fellow citizens;

—Your income would be \$1,500, 75% below the national average, and \$1,000 lower than the average black family.

—You would have, on the average, five years of schooling, and your probability of unemployment would be ten times the national average.

—The mortality rate of your child during the first year of life would be twice that of a white baby.

—The suicide rate of your teenager would be 100 times that of whites.

—The odds would be 2 to 1 that your child would never finish high school and 100 to 1 that he would not graduate from college.

—You would have a 400% greater chance of contracting tuberculosis and an 800% higher chance of acquiring hepatitis.

—You would likely live without plumbing or bathing facilities in a 2- or 3-room shack.

An American Indian Council, totally composed of Indians, now administers the budget for UCC Indian ministries.

—From: Connecticut Conference Missioner



Help Her Through OCWM

This little Vietnamese refugee girl is one of 50 kindergarteners in a church-supported school and clinic at Tuy Hoa on the central coast of South Vietnam. Chocolate-flavored milk and multi-purpose food each day remind the children that someone cares about them and their problems. This little girl is only one of the nearly one million refugees in Vietnam who are poignant testimony to man's inhumanity to man.

You help them through your gifts to Our Christian World Mission.

A New Domestic Tour For 1971

The Council on American Indian Ministry of the United Church of Christ is eager to have anglo members of the United Church visit with them to discuss issues of mutual concern.

The United Church Tours office of the Stewardship Council has planned a tour in cooperation with the Council of American Indian Ministry and the Board of Homeland Ministries to meet this stated need.

The date: August 8-17, 1971

The place: North and South Dakota
The cost: To be announced later

The purpose: To meet with the American Indian leaders in this region, to discuss issues of concern to them, to visit historic places, to listen and learn from them about their history

and their problems.

We urge ministers and laymen to plan their vacations around these dates. Join this tour and confront concerns important to all of us.

More information will be published later or write to Dr. Leo A. Keil, 1505 Race St., Philadelphia, Pa. 19102 for details and costs.

ATLANTA 'SLEEPS IN'

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residents of the Model Cities area. In this area live some 45,000 people in 13,000 housing units of which 6,000 are officially judged "substandard." "This is a big step for us poor people," Mrs. Matthews said, adding that she and her followers from the ghetto will see that the pledge is kept.

Columbus - Phenix City Church Cluster

Four churches meeting and planning together! That is happening with our four churches in the Columbus-Phenix City area, with Rev. John E. Rhodes as chairman. The cluster of churches meets as a Metropolitan Council composed of pastors and representative lay people from each of the congregations. Thus far they have shared in a Christmas Eve candlelight service, as well as a "Fifth-Sunday Sing" in January. More than 100 persons have attended each of these services.

The Metropolitan Council is now arranging a map for the area showing where members of the four churches live.

A Visitation Evangelism program is being developed under the leadership of Rev. Melvin Dollar, Minister of Church Extension of the Florida Conference. Visitors will seek to secure members for the four churches.

Plans are under way to employ a seminary student for the summer. He will make surveys, work with young people, and develop programs with the Metropolitan Council as it seeks to minister in the community.

The churches will gather in a Maundy Thursday Service, April 8, in one of the four buildings.

Together these four congregations can work and minister. Retaining their own buildings and ministers, they are nevertheless planning and working together for the good of the whole area.

Church Attendance Is Healthy?

A study by a Johns Hopkins University medical researcher reveals that the risk of fatal heart disease for men who attend church infrequently is almost twice as high as for those who attend once a week or more.

George W. Comstock, M. D., of the department of epidemiology at Johns Hopkins School of Hygiene and Public Health in Baltimore noted that piety also appears to be statistically related to lower incidences of a dozen other diseases, including cancer, cirrhosis, tuberculosis, and respiratory maladies.

—from United Church Herald